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To
Subject Re: N-Forcer Site

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Thanks for the information Brian. The MDEQ does appreciate your efforts and requests that the USEPA be the lead agency in the investigation and remediation of this contamination.

Thanks,
Steven Kitler

Steve,

I put the ARAR request in the mail. One thing I forgot to ask your for, and I'm assuming this is what you want, is a request for EPA to do this. Could you send me an email requesting EPA to investigate and take action?

Here's some background

The N-Forcer site (also known as W.R. Grace & Company Dearborn plant, and the Henn Street facility), is located at 14300 Henn Street, Dearborn, Wayne County, Michigan 48126. The proposed removal action is necessary to mitigate the immediate threat to residents, workers, and the environment posed by the presence of fibrous amphibole asbestos. The asbestos contamination is the result of W.R. Graces's expansion of Libby, Montana vermiculite.

On September 27, 2002, staff from ATSDR and MDCH visited the facility as part of ATSDR's National Asbestos Exposure Review. During this visit, staff observed vermiculite ore on the ground near the railroad spur on the north side of the property, where the raw ore was off-loaded from railroad cars into nearby storage silos (the silos have since been removed). Staff also observed material consistent with stoner rock behind the wooden slats of an interior wall in the main building.

MDCH and ATSDR Health Consultation Recommendations for the Facility and Off-Site Locations

- * Verify that areas of contaminated vermiculite remaining inside the facility, have been appropriately cleaned up. Verify remediation results with post-cleanup indoor air sampling or other appropriate techniques.

- * Characterize the extent and magnitude of remaining vermiculite contamination in on-site soils. Based on the results of the characterization, develop a plan to eliminate or reduce future exposures.

- * Characterize the degree and magnitude of remaining contamination in off-site soils in the neighborhood immediately surrounding the facility.

Please cc my boss Jason el-zein.jason@epa.gov

Give me a call if you need more info.

Thanks,

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